

CITY OF DURHAM

Durham Parks and Recreation
101 CITY HALL PLAZA

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## Parks and Recreation Department

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## **Durham Lake Michie Closing Early**

A shorter season means a better experience to come

**DURHAM, NC -** Lake Michie will close early this fall to make improvements to the recreation area and boathouse. The lake will officially close for the season on Saturday, September 10, 2016 at 6 p.m.

Renovations to the facility will improve the user's experience by providing more accessibility to the boathouse and dock. The work is scheduled to be complete by the 2017 boating season.

The scope of work includes improving accessibility to the floating dock by resurfacing the structure and installing accessible handrails, constructing a new front deck for the boathouse, and installing a new ADA accessible kayak and canoe launch.

Construction is slated to start in mid-to late September, giving users as much time this season as possible to enjoy the lake before closing for these improvements. Starting early will also allow construction to conclude in time for the next season, with little to no impact on future use.

Operations at Little River Lake will not be affected and will remain open until November 14, 2016.

For information about site specific closing times and dates, visit the <u>lake facility page</u> or call 919-560-4355.

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